Phillips County Commissioners

May 19, 2017

The board held a work session with Mike Salyards, Road Manager and Kevin Scott, Assistant Road Manager to discuss road issues.

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 by Chairman Joe Kinnie and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. Also present were County Commissioners Harlan Stern and Don Lock, County Administrator Randy Schafer and County Clerk Beth Zilla.

Lock made a motion, seconded by Stern, to approve the minutes from the May 09th meeting as submitted. Motion carried.

The board approved an accounts payable batch.

The board met with Kay Schmidt, Phillips County Victim's Advocate, to discuss the possibility of Sedgwick County withdrawing from our joint Victim's Assistance Program and what affect that will have on funding for our project. Currently, Phillips County and Sedgwick County share a Victim's Assistant. Awarded grant monies are based on activities of both counties. Schmidt shared that if Sedgwick County hires its own VA, her grant monies will decrease to the point her salary will not be covered. Schmidt asked if she could get county health insurance since her husband is changing jobs. Schafer confirmed that Schmidt is currently a full-time county employee and should qualify for county benefits.

The board met with Megan Kienbusch on her rental agreement for the event center. Kienbusch plans to serve alcohol at her event. The board approved her application as long she provides the required alcohol deposit and the required liquor liability insurance coverage. No special event permit is needed.

The board met with the Department of Human Services (DHS) Director Penny Verhoeff for regular monthly business. The minutes for this portion of the meeting are maintained by DHS.

The board met with Rick Ensminger to review his proposal for the courthouse roof drain project.

After discussion, Stern made a motion, seconded by Kinnie, to approve the bid of \$4,991 from Ensminger Construction for the courthouse roof drain project, subject to approval of the specifications by the Colorado Historical Fund. On a 2-0 vote, the motion carried (Lock abstained). No decision was made on the inlet from the east parking lot.

The board decided to tentatively schedule a work session on June 8th to develop a master plan for the county fairgrounds complex.

The board met with Highline Electric Association (HEA) General Manager Mark Farnsworth, Salyards and Scott to discuss water drainage issues between the HEA site, Blisties' Inc restaurant and County Road 20. Farnsworth will do some additional investigating on the matter.

Lock made a motion, Kinnie seconded, the approval of the rehiring of Scott Murray with a pay increase of \$1.50 for seasonal work for county maintenance. Murray will be paid \$11.50/hour effective May 15, 2017. On a 2-1 vote, the motion carried (Stern voted no).

The board agreed to change the board meeting on July 7th to July 10th.

The board received information from CCI on sanctuary counties. No action was taken.

The board was provided an update on entity payments toward the Comm Center console upgrade project. The board will review the payments again at the end of the month.

Stern made a motion, seconded by Lock, to affirm approval for the repairs to the D7 dozer in the amount of \$50,597.33. Motion carried.

Kinnie discussed the Dittmer property in Amherst. As the house has been abandoned, Kinnie was asked by a local resident to clean up the property. The board suggested that the resident submit a junk ordinance complaint form.

The board reviewed the following reports:

- Veterans Officers Report
- CCI Legislation Report
- Budget Reports for April

- Revenue
- Expenditure by Department
- Revenue and Expense for Road and Bridge
- Cash Transaction through April
- Cash Transaction for April
- Event Center Rental
 - Baeza
 - Rodney Lenz
- Mobile Food Pantry
 - 156 families served
 - 26 volunteers

Meeting adjourned at 1:45.

Submitted by Beth Zilla Phillips County Clerk

K Joe Kinnie

Donald J Lock

Harlan Stern

Attest:

Beth Zilla, County Clerk